



27th, March 2021, 1:00PM-3:00PM

MISC Executive Council Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order 1:03
2. Roll Call

Name/Position	Present	Regrets	Absent
Katy Czajkowski (President)	x		
Maddie Osei (Executive Vice President)			x
Eric Hanson (VP Operations, Faculty Council Representative)	x		
Will Power (VP Finance)	x		
Laura Viselli (VP Academic Affairs)	x		
Alexandra Wong (VP Communications)	x		
Jessica Peng (Social Co-Chair)			x
Veronica Rutherford (Social Co-Chair)			x
Grace Chen (Upper Year Survey Committee Co-Chair)	x		
Lala Kumalasara Sondajaja (First Year Survey Committee Co-Chair)	x		
Michael Changhao Gao (Upper Year MH Committee Co-Chair)	x		
Natalie Somerset (First Year MH Committee Co-Chair)			x
Savannah Li (Upper Year PD Committee Co-Chair)			x
Julia Geisler (First Year PD Committee Co-Chair)	x		
Sara Fontes (MISC-MUSSA Liason)			x
Victoria Yang (Alumni Association Representative)	x		
Ariana Cuvin (First-Year Social Committee Representative)			x
Running Zhang (Tech Fund Representative, Upper Year)			x
Xinyi Yu (Tech Fund Representative, Upper Year)			x
Usman Malik (Tech Fund Representative, First Year, Faculty Council Representative)	x		
Akshata Kularni (GSU Representative)			x
Wing Lam Tse (International Student Rep)	x		



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Yuhui Wang (Faculty Council Representative)			x
Risa de Rege Braga (Faculty Council Representative)	x		
Nudrat Zehra (Faculty Council Representative)			x
Guests (Present)			
Meaghan Lau (Part-Time Students Working Group)	x		

3. Land Acknowledgement:

Read by: Eric Hanson

I (we) wish to acknowledge this land on which the University of Toronto operates. For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the Credit River. Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.

To acknowledge does not reconcile the suffering faced by these communities but we will continue to acknowledge the privilege we have to this land as we learn how to approach reconciliation with integrity.

4. BIRT the agenda for March 27, 2021 be adopted.

- 5. Motion by: Katy
- 6. Seconded by: Grace
- 7. **Carried**/Failed

8. BIRT the minutes from February 27, 2021 be adopted.

- Motion by: Katy
- Seconded by: Laura
- Carried**/Failed

9. Previous Business

No Previous Business

10. Executive Committee Reports

- a. President

Elections will be extended March 15th-April 9th

Exit Reports - Everyone has a committee, external rep, internal rep. Etc. you have access to exit reports



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If there are two people in the position, its ok have one person fill it out as long as knowledge is being shared to the next person

MISC Lunch - April 22, Try to have them done before the lunch

Instructor Awards, MUSSA/MISC Rep search, Film Night, etc. are some of the upcoming intiitives and events

b. Vice President Academic Affairs

Faculty is planning classes in the fall based on public guidelines. Required courses will be offered virtually to help accommodate people who are not able to travel

Convocate Form - Due the end of this month.

Committees are moving but everyone is tired.

c. Vice President Communications

No big updates. Most business is moving along

d. Vice President Finance

- Send Receipts/Invoices by March 31st - It would be great to wrap it up ASAP as Fiscal Year is ending

- \$37,593.49 in current account

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e. Vice President Operations

Nothing new to report. Working with Victoria & PD Committee to update websites. May do outreach at some point in the future.

f. Executive Vice-President

g. **Motion:** BIRT the MISC General Council approve the Executive Reports as presented.

Motion by: Katy

Seconded by: Usman

Carried/Failed

11. Committee and Representative Reports

a. MISC-MUSSA Liaison

b. Social Committee



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c. Survey Committee

Launched big survey - student experience survey - 108 responses. Cleaning up report.

-Unclear what MISC does right now.

-More support for minorities & marginalized groups

-More support for Inperson transitions

Will give out prizes and draw in the beginning of April. Will give names to Will for disbursement

d. Mental Health Committee

Two events - Feb 19, Mental Health Presentation about MH in workplace - success

Yoga held March 26th

Mental Health Resources - Uploaded on website

e. Professional Development Committee

iConference - 20 submissions. Working on scheduling and figuring out if post Q&As are possible

Email communication with Victoria (Alumni Association)

f. Faculty Council

Building

New Hires

g. Alumni Association Representative

Not too many updates - Job Shadowing, still recruiting posts

Social Committee - Game nights are running and opens to students

Silent Auction will not be happening - figuring out new ways of fundraising

h. T&R Working Group

Last Meeting - March 12th - Working group is looking for an extension to Jan 2022 which was granted.

Will becn standing committee

Looking towards more partnerships with Indigenous organizations, Library collections etc.

Establishing procedure for T&R Working group to be appointed along with MISC-MUSSA Liasion

i. Graduate Students' Union Representatives

March 30th

j. International Student Representatives

No Updates - International Student Engagement group had no meetings since last year.

k. Tech Fund Representatives

Didn't approve funding as there was no request. Approved donation to Reboot Canada



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Motion by: Katy

Seconded by: Usman

Carried/Failed

12. Working Group Reports

- a. Accessibility Interests Working Group
 - Speaking at other Universities about their initiatives
 - Hired a student to redesign website to be more accessible

- b. Class of 2020 Continuity Working Group
 - Voted to approve 2021 students - New Name Class of 2020-2021 Graduate working group
 - Patty has been in touch to relevant faculty and staff so that there's some coordination on next steps
 - 2020-2021 Grads may get their awards for each concentration

- c. Diversity Working Group

- d. Part-Time Students' Working Group
 - How to get involved as a part time student workshop - integrated
 - Information on the Website - We leveraged a page on the MISC website to get the Faculty to provide more resources for PT Students
 - Great feedback from PT student Survey - met with Dean, Student Services. Advocating by supporting different structures of courses and hoping they may consider that, online and asynchronous courses and financial supports for Co-op, Practicum.
 - Initiating a bursary for PT Students - not all PT students are FT at an organization rather they can't afford.
 - More inclusive language
 - One more event - games, jeopardy
 - Producing Welcome cards/post cards.



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- e. **Motion:** BIRT the MISC General Council approve the Working Group Reports as presented.

Motion by: Katy
Seconded by: Eric
Carried/Failed

13. Other business

- Discussion: None

14. BIRT the meeting be adjourned

Motion by: Katy
Seconded by: Usman
Carried/Failed